

of the motion to recommit with instructions to report back forthwith, the adoption of which occasions an immediate report to the floor, the adoption to a motion to recommit with instructions to report back other than forthwith sends the bill to committee whose eventual report, if any, would not be immediately before the House."

Mr. Speaker, a vote for this motion to recommit takes the bill off the floor. A vote against the motion will allow the bill to go forward to final passage. For that reason, I urge defeat of the motion to recommit.

Secondly, the bill before us includes a rescission of \$1.3 billion, which is exactly the same size that the President proposed for the 2008 budget and which is, in fact, lower than what was rescinded last year. HUD refuses to tell specifically where it will take the rescission from, but the President obviously believes that HUD can meet the rescission. The motion purports to disallow rescission from certain accounts, but HUD has traditionally not used those accounts, so the President must have believed that he could meet the rescission without rescinding funds from those three specific accounts.

So again, this one is the tricky one, and I would say that given the trickiness of it, that we should defeat the motion to recommit and go on to passage of the bill. For both reasons, I urge the Members to vote against recommitment of the bill.

I yield the balance of my time to the gentleman from Maryland.

Mr. HOYER. Once again we are confronted with politics, not substance. The groans you hear are those of the self-indicted. If you were serious, if you were concerned about the veterans, if you were concerned about those in need, then this would be a substantive amendment subject to consideration now, not later, not tomorrow.

My friend will ask the rhetorical parliamentary question in a few minutes that he has asked every time we have done this, and every time this process is political only.

If it were substantive, I tell the gentleman from New York, if you wanted to accomplish this objective, you may get the votes on this side, but you will not get the votes on this side to kill this bill.

We have now taken 50 hours longer on consideration of appropriation bills than we did last year with unanimous consents from Mr. OBEY. You can groan, but the people who are looking for these funds, the people who want the benefits of this bill, the people who understand the work on both sides of the aisle that has gone into fashioning this bill, the people who have seen us vote on rejecting amendment after amendment on substantive grounds that you offered, and you could have offered this amendment, of course, as well, know full well this is a political process, not a substantive process. Reject this process. Let us move on with the business of the American people.

Let's do what they sent us here to do. Let's act. Reject this motion.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to address their remarks to the Chair.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Parliamentary inquiry, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his inquiry.

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Mr. Speaker, is it not true that, if indeed this motion passed, this bill could be reported back to the committee it was assigned to and that bill could be reported back to the House tomorrow?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk read the motion. The Chair is confident that the Members understand its portent. As affirmed by the Chair on May 24, 2000, and reaffirmed as recently as July 19, 2007, unlike a motion to recommit with instructions to report forthwith, a motion with "non-forthwith" instructions proposes to take the bill from the floor without reaching the question of passage.

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Further parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his inquiry.

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Mr. Speaker, is it not true that having reported this bill back to the committee from which it was designated, that it could be brought back to the floor as early as tomorrow?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has ruled and is not in a position to interpret the gentleman's understanding.

Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to recommit.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to recommit.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for any electronic vote on the question of passage.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 201, noes 220, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 714]

AYES—201

Aderholt	Blunt	Calvert
Akin	Boehner	Camp (MI)
Alexander	Bonner	Campbell (CA)
Altmire	Bono	Cannon
Bachmann	Boozman	Cantor
Baker	Boustany	Capito
Barrett (SC)	Brady (TX)	Carter
Barrow	Brown (SC)	Castle
Bartlett (MD)	Brown-Waite,	Chabot
Barton (TX)	Ginny	Coble
Biggert	Buchanan	Cole (OK)
Bilbray	Burgess	Conaway
Bilirakis	Burton (IN)	Crenshaw
Blackburn	Buyer	Culberson

Davis (KY)	Keller	Pryce (OH)
Davis, David	King (NY)	Putnam
Davis, Tom	Kingston	Radanovich
Deal (GA)	Kirk	Ramstad
Dent	Kline (MN)	Regula
Diaz-Balart, L.	Knollenberg	Rehberg
Diaz-Balart, M.	Kuhl (NY)	Reichert
Doolittle	Lamborn	Renzi
Drake	Lampson	Reynolds
Dreier	Latham	Rogers (AL)
Duncan	LaTourette	Rogers (KY)
Ehlers	Lewis (CA)	Rogers (MI)
Emerson	Lewis (KY)	Rohrabacher
English (PA)	Linder	Ros-Lehtinen
Everett	LoBiondo	Roskam
Fallin	Lucas	Royce
Feeney	Lungren, Daniel	Ryan (WI)
Ferguson	E.	Sali
Flake	Mack	Saxton
Forbes	Manzullo	Schmidt
Fortenberry	Marchant	Sensenbrenner
Fossella	McCarthy (CA)	Sessions
Fox	McCaul (TX)	Shadegg
Franks (AZ)	McCotter	Shays
Frelinghuysen	McCrery	Shimkus
Gallegly	McHenry	Shuler
Garrett (NJ)	McHugh	Shuster
Gerlach	McKeon	Simpson
Gilchrest	McMorris	Smith (NE)
Gillmor	Rodgers	Smith (NJ)
Gingrey	McNerney	Smith (TX)
Gohmert	Mica	Souder
Goode	Miller (FL)	Stearns
Goodlatte	Miller (MI)	Sullivan
Granger	Miller, Gary	Tancredo
Graves	Mitchell	Terry
Hall (TX)	Moran (KS)	Thornberry
Hastert	Murphy, Patrick	Tiahrt
Hastings (WA)	Murphy, Tim	Tiberi
Hayes	Musgrave	Turner
Heller	Myrick	Upton
Hensarling	Neugebauer	Walberg
Herger	Nunes	Walden (OR)
Hobson	Paul	Walsh (NY)
Hoekstra	Pearce	Wamp
Hulshof	Pence	Weldon (FL)
Hunter	Peterson (PA)	Weller
Inglis (SC)	Petri	Westmoreland
Issa	Pickering	Whitfield
Jindal	Pitts	Wicker
Johnson (IL)	Platts	Wilson (NM)
Johnson, Sam	Poe	Wilson (SC)
Jones (NC)	Porter	Wolf
Jordan	Price (GA)	Young (FL)

NOES—220

Abercrombie	Crowley	Hinojosa
Ackerman	Cuellar	Hirono
Allen	Cummings	Hodes
Andrews	Davis (AL)	Holden
Arcuri	Davis (CA)	Holt
Baca	Davis (IL)	Hooley
Baird	Davis, Lincoln	Hoyer
Baldwin	DeFazio	Inslee
Bean	DeGette	Israel
Becerra	Delahunt	Jackson (IL)
Berkley	DeLauro	Jackson-Lee
Berman	Dicks	(TX)
Berry	Dingell	Jefferson
Bishop (GA)	Doggett	Johnson (GA)
Bishop (NY)	Donnelly	Johnson, E. B.
Blumenauer	Doyle	Jones (OH)
Boren	Edwards	Kagen
Boswell	Ellison	Kanjorski
Boucher	Ellsworth	Kaptur
Boyd (FL)	Emanuel	Kennedy
Boyda (KS)	Engel	Kildee
Brady (PA)	Eshoo	Kilpatrick
Braley (IA)	Etheridge	Kind
Brown, Corrine	Farr	Klein (FL)
Butterfield	Fattah	Kucinich
Capps	Filner	Langevin
Capuano	Frank (MA)	Lantos
Cardoza	Giffords	Larsen (WA)
Carnahan	Gillibrand	Larson (CT)
Carney	Gonzalez	Lee
Carson	Gordon	Levin
Castor	Green, Al	Lewis (GA)
Chandler	Green, Gene	Lipinski
Clay	Grijalva	Loebsack
Cleaver	Gutierrez	Lofgren, Zoe
Clyburn	Hall (NY)	Lowe
Cohen	Hare	Lynch
Conyers	Harman	Mahoney (FL)
Cooper	Hastings (FL)	Mahoney (NY)
Costa	Hersteth Sandlin	Markey
Costello	Higgins	Matheson
Courtney	Hill	Matsui
Cramer	Hinche	McCarthy (NY)